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**Essential oil of palmarosa**  
**[*Cymbopogon martini* (Roxb.) W.**  
**Watson var. *motia*]**

*Huile essentielle de palmarosa [Cymbopogon martini (Roxb.) W.*  
*Watson var. motia]*





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## Foreword

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The main changes to the previous edition are as follows:

- the title has been changed;
- the structure of the document has been revised;
- subclauses 4.8 to 4.11 have been replaced with a chromatographic profile ([Table 2](#));
- editorial corrections have been made.

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# Essential oil of palmarosa [*Cymbopogon martini* (Roxb.) W. Watson var. *motia*]

## 1 Scope

This document specifies certain characteristics of the essential oil of palmarosa [*Cymbopogon martini* (Roxb.) W. Watson var. *motia*], with a view to facilitating the assessment of its quality.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ISO/TS 210, *Essential oils — General rules for packaging, conditioning and storage*

ISO/TS 211, *Essential oils — General rules for labelling and marking of containers*

ISO 212, *Essential oils — Sampling*

ISO 279, *Essential oils — Determination of relative density at 20 degrees C — Reference method*

ISO 280, *Essential oils — Determination of refractive index*

ISO 592, *Essential oils — Determination of optical rotation*

ISO 875, *Essential oils — Evaluation of miscibility in ethanol*

ISO 11024 (all parts), *Essential oils — General guidance on chromatographic profiles*

## 3 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following terms and definitions apply.

ISO and IEC maintain terminological databases for use in standardization at the following addresses:

— ISO Online browsing platform: available at <https://www.iso.org/obp>

— IEC Electropedia: available at <http://www.electropedia.org/>

### 3.1

#### essential oil of palmarosa

essential oil obtained by steam distillation of the grass of [*Cymbopogon martini* (Roxb.) W. Watson var. *motia*] of the Poaceae family, collected in flowering stage

Note 1 to entry: For information on CAS number, see ISO/TR 21092.

## 4 Requirements

### 4.1 General requirements

Essential oil of palmarosa [*Cymbopogon martini* (Roxb.) W. Watson var. *motia*] shall meet the requirements as given in [Table 1](#).